

# RAILROAD LINES TO BE CLEARED BY THURSDAY

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Generally fair tonight and  
Wednesday. Gentle to  
moderate winds.

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# SIMS CHARGES NAVY'S DELAY PROLONGED WAR

## NEWPORT MAN NEARLY LOST LIFE IN STORM

**Charles Lamoureux Saves  
Life of Aged Man Who  
Lost His Way**

A man, between 50 and 60 years of age, was found nearly frozen to death early Saturday morning by Charles Lamoureux, Glen Road.

Mr. Lamoureux by some oversight left the barn door unlocked Friday night. On going to the stable early Saturday morning he found a man lying in an empty horse stall nearly perished with cold and exposure.

Mr. Lamoureux got the man into the house, who after getting warmed up was able to tell his story. It was learned that he had walked from Newport Center to Newport and had tried to find a man who owed him money. Being unsuccessful he had started back to Newport Center. He evidently became bewildered as the storm increased in violence and lost his sense of direction, taking the wrong road. Had he not found the man unlocked, he would undoubtedly have perished, as he was thoroughly exhausted and numb with cold.

His name was not learned, as he seemed rather reticent, but his accent was that of an Englishman.

Mr. Lamoureux kept the wayfarer until he was rested and refreshed, with a good breakfast, and gave him sufficient money to pay his fare home to Newport Center.

## Mr. and Mrs. Morse Dead In Chicago

Word comes to the Caledonian-Record from Chicago of the death of Mrs. Amasa Morse, who was Louisa M. Orest, born and raised in West Burke, Vt. When married she lived at East Hardwick and later St. Johnsbury, leaving the East about 31 years ago for Peoria, Ill., and soon after moving to Chicago. She passed on January 29th at the age of 68 years. Amasa Morse, who was born and raised in East Hardwick and later lived in St. Johnsbury, passed away in Chicago on October 2d last at the age of 78 years.

The surviving children are Dana M. and Andrew G., Horace S., Carl L. and Mrs. Hattie Morse Usner, all residing in Chicago.

## MISS ROUSE TELL THRILLS OF AIR FLIGHT

**With Miss Stevens and  
Miss Ide She Enjoys Air-  
plane Trip Over City**

The thrilling experience of three St. Johnsbury young women in air-plane flights over St. Petersburg, Florida is told in an interesting way by Miss Grace Rouse of the Cary Maple Sugar Co. in a letter to her sister, Miss Florence Rouse of the Caledonian-Record office. The letter follows:

We have been perusing the Caledonian for the last two weeks and it certainly does not contain very cheering news to us here in Florida, so Helen Stevens, Mary Ide and myself thought we would try to add a little variety in the way of amusement and we betook ourselves on the morning of March 3d, to the Pier where Lieut. Whitted's hydro-plane, "Blue Bird," was preparing for a trip to Passaic, N. J. Perhaps our St. J. friends will like a change from snow banks, the flu and zero weather and will listen for a time to an account of our three trips, not exactly through the clouds, but well up over the earth. We would have preferred to have gone together or at least in pairs but none of us being featherweights, Lt. Whitted took one at a time.

The "Blue Bird" is a Curtiss model and is a very beautiful plane, painted a sea blue and when in flight looks like a big bird. The motor is close to the upper plane, above the heads of pilot and passenger so practically all danger from fire is eliminated as the velocity of the plane would sweep the flames far to the rear should an explosion occur.

Just before I was ready to start Lt. Whitted asked us if we had heard of the accident at Fort Myers the day before when three men were killed. Whether he did it to test our nerve or not, we do not know, and we informed him we were not easily frightened and had watched him fly too long not to have a good deal of confidence in him. In this incident the pilot went far inland and all were killed before they reached the ground.

In preparing for the flight, your ears are filled with cotton and you are helmeted and begoggled and present

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## Late News BULLETINS

**MOUNTAIN DIVISION  
STILL SNOWED UNDER**

BOSTON, March 9—Scores of towns in Northern New England remained isolated today because of the storm and freeze-up of Saturday. Several places along the line of railroads still blocked by the snow reported a serious shortage of food and fuel, but railroad officials said that extra attempts would be made to reach most of these places before night. A predicted rise in temperature was expected to hasten the work of removing the high snow drifts and removing the ice.

Normal service on the main lines of the B. & M. was possible today except on the Mountain division which railroad engineers estimated could not be reopened before Thursday. The line between Concord and White River Junction was nearly cleared today.

## SUFFRAGE MAY BE LOST IN WEST VIRGINIA

CHARLESTOWN, West Va., March 9—Senator Montgomery, listed as an anti-suffragist, arrived here today and it was announced by opponents of the Anthony amendment that he would break the deadlock in the Senate this afternoon and allow that body to adjourn before Senator Block, who is hastening here from California, could arrive to vote for ratification.

## CANADIAN LUMBER SHIPMENTS HELD UP

OTTAWA, March 9—Hundreds of lumber shipments for the U. S. involving millions of feet were held up on the Ottawa valley today as the result of a unprecedented shortage of American freight cars. Great difficulty has been found in obtaining news print paper to the United States.

## \$2 REWARD FOR RETURN OF \$1,200,000

NEW YORK, March 9—An order on the bank of Montreal entitling the bearer to \$1,200,000 of railroad bonds was picked up in the street of the financial district by Ralph H. Kahn, a 17 year old messenger boy. He delivered the paper to the office of the broker whose name appeared on the paper. A reward of \$2 was given him with the advice that "he was an honest boy and might grow up to be a useful citizen."

## RAIL SERVICE GRADUALLY RESUMED

**Lake Road Opened First,  
Followed by "Wing Road"  
On the B. & M.**

The railroads are gradually digging out from the effects of the big storm and by the middle of the week hope to get their passenger service back to normal. The Lake road started the first train west Monday night and ran it to Cambridge Junction. It turned around there and reached St. Johnsbury on its return trip at 2:30 Tuesday morning. This was the first passenger train through on this line since the storm.

The "Wing road" was opened up Tuesday morning and the Academy girls' basket ball team which has been marooned at Lancaster since Saturday morning reached St. Johnsbury Tuesday forenoon, via Wells River. The White Mountain division from Woodsville south is still closed for traffic, though the officials hoped to get a train from Woodsville to Plymouth this afternoon. Beyond Plymouth the road is badly dented, especially around Lake Winnepesaukee.

The Maine Central are not moving any trains yet and have been giving all their attention to clearing the road through the notch and around Sebago lake.

The night "air line" arrived in St. Johnsbury about 8 this morning, running five hours late and these trains are still going to and from Boston over the Fitchburg division to Greenfield and the Connecticut River line. Randall & Whitcomb received a few Boston papers of Monday's date Tuesday morning, but the Sunday papers are still at Concord. The line from Concord to White River Junction is closed, as well as the division north to Plymouth and Woodsville, and there is no through trains running as yet on the Central Vermont or Rutland railroads.

An embargo has been placed on all express matter except foodstuffs, medical and surgical supplies and funeral supplies.

The trainmen that took the snow plow over the Lake road Sunday to carry provisions to the passenger train stalled at Alder's Gap had some thrilling experiences and shovelled snow until they were almost exhausted. They found drifts before they reached the train at Crane's woods nearly 15 feet deep and they got the passenger train rescued they

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## SEVEN BURNED IN HOSPITAL FIRE

GALLIPOLIS, Ohio, March 9—Seven persons are reported to have been burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Ohio epidemic hospital here early today.

## Sold Out! Sold Out! Sold Out!

That was the story all up and down the Valley in Northeastern Vermont the past few days where Caledonian-Records are on sale. The Boston Sunday papers are still stuck in a snow drift down near Concord, N. H., and the daily papers are anywhere from one to three days late—all except the Caledonian-Record. It has defied the elements and has been daily on sale in every town up and down the Boston & Maine line from Beebe to Bradford.

In St. Johnsbury we have reached the 1200 mark. Boys who went out at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon with papers came back to Randall & Whitcomb's at 6 o'clock and demanded more papers. The demand could not be met for people had come into the stores and taken all the extra papers on hand.

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## THE LAYMEN'S LEAGUE IS ORGANIZED

**Men Have Joined and Plan  
for Aggressive Christian  
Work in This Community**

One of the results of the recent meetings is the formation in St. Johnsbury of the Laymen's League and 100 men from the five churches that united in the evangelistic services have already joined the new organization. At a meeting of the Laymen's League at Grace Methodist church assembly room Monday evening the organization was perfected by the election of the following officers:

President, Frank H. Brooks.  
Sec. and Treas., O. C. Jones.  
Vice-Presidents, Edgar R. Brown, L. P. Slack, C. F. Goodall, H. E. Dean, Charles Wright, I. G. Marshall.  
Team Leaders, Charles A. Shields, Fred R. Clifford, V. E. Tiechurst.  
Shop Committee, Willard V. Orcutt, chairman, Orris Jenks, W. B. Stevenson, Noel J. Kingsbury.

President Brooks presided at the meeting and Dr. Rees was present and offered many helpful suggestions. Following an enthusiastic song service, led by Mr. Brooks with Carroll Montgomery at the piano, there was a season of prayer. Then followed re-

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## Criticizes Work of 1917 But Has Nothing But Praise for Navy In 1918

WASHINGTON, March 9—Rear Admiral Sims today told the Senate committee investigating the navy's conduct of the war that the failure of the navy department to act promptly on recommendations and to place the country's entire naval resources at the disposal of the Allies within six months after the United States entered the war, prolonged the struggle for at least four months. He added that it also unnecessarily jeopardized the outcome.

Declaring that 3000 lives were lost and \$100,000,000 was spent every day of the war he said the conclusions from this statement were obvious. He also said his criticisms were directed to the navy's work in 1917 and had nothing to do with the magnificent way it worked in 1918. The navy he said was not properly prepared in April, 1917, and the administrative machinery was cumbersome and inefficient. He denied his statement constituted an "attack on anyone and characterized as ridiculous the charge that he was attacking civilian control of the navy department.

"I am at the end of my career and have nothing to gain and everything to lose," said Admiral Sims. He desired to be set right in the eyes of the country and wished to refute that "he was throwing mud at the navy."



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